

Notice of Exemption

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From:
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1400 Tenth Street
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Project Title: Cook Footbridge Construction (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0213-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Little Grass Valley Creek, in Trinity County; 40.631733°N, 122.738127°W; Assessor's Parcel Number 015-230-46-00.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0213-R1 pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Carrie Cook, representing Cook Family Trust.

The project is limited to the construction of a channel spanning bridge, intended for foot traffic, using plans submitted with the Notification. The bridge will be located in the footprint of a temporary crossing used as emergency access to remove timber after the 2018 Carr Fire. The bridge will consist of a 40-foot long flatbed trailer deck, anchored to cement block footings. The cement blocks will be partially buried in the ground, 14- feet and 21- feet respectively from the active streambank. No work is expected to occur in the wetted channel.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Carrie Cook

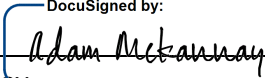
Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 4**; California Code of Regulations, title 14, **section 15304**

Minor private alterations in the condition of land, water, and /or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project will not involve any grading within the stream for placement of the bridge or abutments and is located within the footprint of a former temporary stream crossing. Traffic will be limited to foot traffic or small recreational vehicles for a private residential parcel and will not cause an increase in access across the stream. There will be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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